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7. The method of Claim 6 wherein the step of connecting the telephone call to the callee includes the steps of locating a callee gateway closest to the user telephone number and sending a signal to call the callee by dialing via a callee's central office.

**ABSTRACT**

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A system and method for controlling telephony service to a user with a wireless personal information device (PID). The user may connect to a telephony control server via a data network. The telephony control server has access to the user's telephony account which indicates the user's telephone number in a telephone number entry. The user connection is by a wireless PID that uses the wireless cellular infrastructure to connect to a data network gateway or server. Once the connection is made, the user issues a command to set the telephone number entry in the user's data network telephony account to a specific telephone number. The user may then invoke a contacts application in the wireless PID and select a person from the contacts list to call. The user selects the entry in the contacts application to send a command to initiate a telephone connection between the party selected and the user at the telephone set at the telephony control server.